

City of Milpitas

2005-2006 FINAL BUDGET

CITY OF MILPITAS, CALIFORNIA

City History

Before roads were carved and houses were built, Milpitas and its surrounding areas were home to native Americans in the Costanoan and Ohlone tribes. Living off the bounty of the land around San Francisco Bay, the Costanoans and the Ohlones prospered for hundreds of years long before Mexican or Spanish immigrants came to conquer the land.

In the 18th century, Spanish explorers surveyed the land and were the first to give Milpitas its name - milpa - or little cornfields. Three large ranches began, and two families, the Alvisos and the Higuera, built adobes in the mid-1800's which still stand today.



Alviso Adobe

In 1850, the California Gold Rush began, and "American" settlers started taking over the region. In 1852, a settler from Ireland, Michael Hughes, built the first redwood-framed house in what is now Milpitas. Soon after, the first school was built, and by 1857, Milpitas had a hotel, general store and a post office.

Fruit orchards began to spring up in the 1870s, and later the region was known for its hay growing. The population continued to grow into the 1880s and settlers numbered over 1,500. But by the turn of the century, only about a third of those people remained.

Populations would remain low until shortly after World War II, when Western Pacific Railroad bought a 300 acre industrial park within the city and Ford Motor Company announced it would shift its manufacturing plant from Richmond (just north of Oakland) to Milpitas. The population grew to 825. Sewer and water service, and fire protection were set up shortly after, as was one of the country's first integrated housing communities.



Higuera Adobe

On January 26, 1954, the city was officially incorporated, after fighting off annexation attempts by neighboring San Jose. Ten years later, populations grew to 7,000.

Following the computer firm boom of the 1980s and the opening of one of the nation's largest malls in 1994, the city is now home to 62,698 residents.

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A Demographic Profile of Milpitas

Once a small agricultural town and later a stopover point for travelers between Oakland and San Jose, Milpitas has blossomed into one of the world's premier computer and semiconductor producers. Tenants of the burgeoning city of 62,698 are family-centered communities that embrace cultural diversity, comprehensive schooling and preservation of the hills.

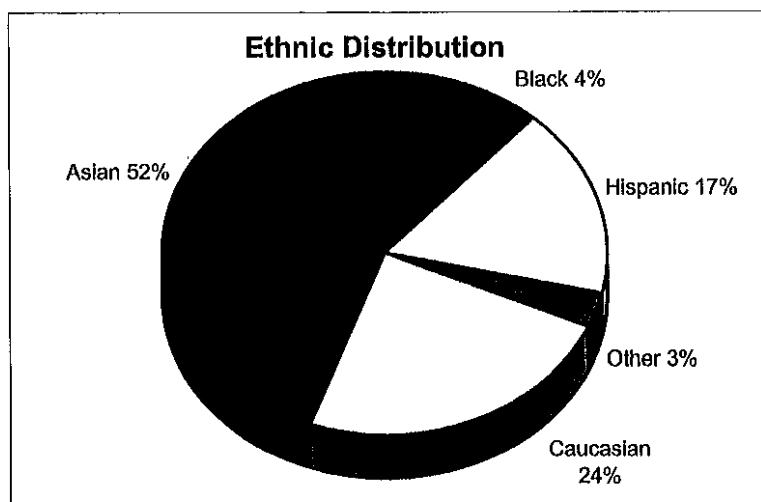
Incorporated in 1954 with 825 residents, Milpitas is located at the southern tip of the San Francisco Bay. Milpitas covers 13.6 square miles, with grassy foothills and picturesque Mount Hamilton to the east and the Santa Clara Valley Floor to the west. The city is located in Santa Clara County, home to close to 1.68 million residents. To the north is the city of Fremont. To the south lies San Jose, the third largest city in California.

Milpitas' neighborhoods are dotted with close to 18,082 households and well-placed parks. Milpitas' average household income is \$91,550. The percentage of households with incomes more than \$75,000 is close to 64 percent. About 40% of the households earn more than \$100,000 annually.

Close to 70 percent of Milpitans own their own home. Housing prices vary from \$1,035 to \$1,585 per month for renters with one and two bedroom apartments and duplexes. Rent for two and three bedroom houses typically run \$1,310 to \$2,615. The median price of a home in Milpitas is \$585,000. There are 20 suburban residential areas.

About 7 percent of the city's population are 5 years old or younger, the lowest in the county. About 18 percent are between 5 and 18 years old. About 68 percent of the population are between 18 and 64 years old. About 7 percent of residents are over 65, also the lowest in the county.

Milpitas has the highest population of ethnicities in all Santa Clara County. According to the 2000 census, an estimated 52 percent of residents are Asian; 24 percent are Caucasian; 17 percent are Hispanic or Latino; and 4 percent are Black or African-Americans.



At 20 feet above sea level, Milpitas' mild climate averages 59 degrees, with gentle winds from the northwest and little more than 13 inches of rain expected in a typical year.

The bustling general law city is supervised by a council-manager form of government. The Milpitas City Council is the flagship decision making body that appoints members to many commissions that serve in advisory capacities. The mayorship is an elected position, as are all the council seats. Mayors serve two-year terms; council members have four-year seats.

The City Council makes the ultimate planning and policy decisions for residents, and oversees the city's \$143 million budget. The five members carry out twice a month public meetings. At these times, the public's comments are usually heard, under the citizen's forum. The Council's meetings are held the first and third Tuesdays of each month at 7:00 p.m. in the Milpitas City Hall, 455 E. Calaveras Blvd.

There are 14 advisory commissions on which residents can participate - the Planning Commission, Arts Commission, Youth Advisory Commission, Bicycle Transportation Advisory Commission and Senior Advisory Commission, to name a few.

Issues challenging most commissions these days are development, quality of life and how to streamline traffic bottlenecks that plague this area at commute times.

The City of Milpitas employs 495 permanent workers who earn salaries that are competitive with any city of our size nationwide.

City of Milpitas at a Glance			
Date of Incorporation	January 26, 1954	Water Utility	
Form of Government	Council-Manager	Number of Customers:	
		Residential	13,720
		Commercial	2,070
Population (2000 census)	62,698	Recycled Water	141
Land Area (Square Miles)	13.62	Average Daily Consumption	
Miles of Streets	138	(in gallons)	11,120,000
Number of Street Lights	4,350	Miles of Water Mains	203
Fire Protection		Sewer Utility	
Number of Stations	4	Miles of Sanitary Sewers	172.5
Number of Firefighters	78	Miles of Storm Drains	99
Fire Apparatus	13	Public Schools Serving the Community	
Number of Fire Hydrants	1,755	Elementary Schools	9
Police Protection		Middle Schools	2
Number of Stations	2	High Schools	2
Number of Sworn Officers	95	Parks and Recreation	
Crossing Guard Posts	38	Acres of Parkland	171.6
Number of Patrol Vehicles	30	Number of Parks	26
Employees		Number of Swimming Pools	3
Permanent	495	Number of Tennis Courts	24
Temporary (FTE)	88.25		

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CITY COUNCIL

Mayor	Jose "Joe" S. Esteves
Vice-Mayor	Armando Gomez, Jr.
Councilmember	Robert Livengood
Councilmember	Althea Polanski
Councilmember	Debra Giordano

BOARD AND COMMISSIONS

Arts Commission

Archana Aragon
Juniel Butler
Donine Ettinger
Bill Foulk
Linda Hicks
Robin Hays
Harriet McGuire
Mariele-Angy Ogle
Linda L. Rabe

Bicycle Transportation Advisory Commission

Rene Briones
Miljon Buquing
Kayci Nguyen
Bill Reisinger
Eugene Simmons
Nawal Stanojevic
Fred Zeise

Citizen's Emergency Preparedness Advisory Commission

Michael Berryhill
Teresa Chaves
Russ Cherry
Tim Howard
Nancy Martinez
William Nolan
John Pilger
Brian Shreve
Annell Spencer
Donna Wynne

Mobile Home Park Rental Review Board

Sandeep Chahal
Milan Dobro
Florence Romito

Community Advisory Commission

Joselito Abelardo
Reena Choudhury
Philip Cook
Danny Fang
Arsenio Iloreta
Chris Lee
Jenifer Lind
Nestor R. Luna, Sr.
Syed Mohsin
Marie Pham
Michael Queenan
Craig Ranker
Nelson Villegas

Economic Development Commission

Dhaval J. Brahmabhatt
Frank DeSmidt
Ray Magalang
Minh Nguyen
Tomo Tuong Nguyen
Donald Peoples
Vincente Songcayawon
Pat Songsiri
Charlene Tsao

Library Advisory Commission

Trinidad Aolin
Linda Arbaugh
Melinda Cervantes
Yu-Lan Chou
Lynne Estandarte
Elpidio Estioko
Ha Fan
Marilyn Hay
Carmen Montano
Margie Stephens
Sonny S. Wang

BOARD AND COMMISSIONS

Open Government Commission

Dinnah Casibang

Jim Rabe

Parks, Recreation and Cultural Resources Commission

Robert Burrill

Kathryn Gray

Frances Krommenhock

Henry Ku

Robert McGuire

Steve Munzel

Gurdev "Dave" Sandhu

Raymond Serena

Edward Tuason

Planning Commission

Norman Azevedo

Alexander Galang

Alfred Garcia

Deepka Lalwani

Sudhir Mandal

Zeya Mohsin

Cliff Williams

Recycling and Source Reduction Advisory Commission

Ed Blake, Jr.

Romy Dizon

Donald Downey

Eulalio Mercado

Keith Walker

Patrick Yung

Steve Ybarra

Senior Advisory Commission

Mary Banick

Ed Connor

Bal Daquigan

Joyce Dovlet

Barbara Ebright

Milo Larsen

Kathryn Manento

Amanda Santos

Albert Wang

Joanne Wood

Denny Weisgerber

Sister Cities Commission

Massoud Arefi

Echo Arthur

Satnam Singh Chahal

Linda Downey

Debra Garcia

Dennis Grilli

Willie Iringan

Roselda Mateo

Arlyn W. Swiger

Telecommunications Commission

Albert Alcorn

Gunawan Alisantosa

Satish Kumar Bansal

Syed Afaq Ali Bilgrami

Aaron Ettinger

Dinesh Gupta

Niranjan Gupta

William Lam

Vishnu Mathur

M. Idrees Munir

Paul Peterson

Youth Advisory Commission

Charlotte Beard

Lorden Fok

Joseph Hall

Liberty Hilario

Jay Kumar

Van La

Roxanne Lachance

Kullat Munir

Lindsey Munzel

Justin Nguyen

Kumuda Rao

Aditya Ullal

Danielle Yee

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DIRECTORY OF OFFICIALS

Fiscal Year 2005 - 2006

City Manager

Charles Lawson

Police Chief

Thomas Nishisaka

Director of Financial Services

Emma Karlen, CPA

Fire Chief

Clare Frank

City Clerk

Mary Lavelle

City Attorney

Myers, Nave, Riback, Wilson and Silver

Chief Information Officer

William Marion

Human Resources Director

Vacant

City Engineer

Greg Armendariz

Planning & Neighborhood Svc Director

Tambri Heyden

Chief Building Official

Keyvan Irannejad

Historical Staffing by Division

	<u>02 - 03</u> <u>Approved</u>		<u>03 - 04</u> <u>Approved</u>		<u>04 - 05</u> <u>Approved</u>		<u>Change</u>		<u>05 - 06</u> <u>Approved</u>	
	Perm	Temp	Perm	Temp	Perm	Temp	Perm	Temp	Perm	Temp
100 City Council	5	0	5	0	5	0	0	0	5	0
111 City Manager	5	0	5	0	5.25	0	(0.25)	0	5	0
114 City Clerk	9.25	0	10	0	10	0	0	0.5	10	0.5
116 RDA & Economic Dev	1	0	1	0	1	0	0	0	1	0
410 Engineering Services	38	5.5	38	6.75	44	11	0	(2)	44	9
530 Building Inspection	23	0	23	0	23	0	0	1	23	1
450 Recreation	29	43.75	29	47.5	29	44	0	1.5	29	45.5
<i>Policy Planning & Implementation</i>	110.25	49.25	111	54.25	117.25	55	(0.25)	1	117	56.0
112 Information Systems	20	4	20	1	20	1	0	0	20	1
<i>Information Systems</i>	20	4	20	1	20	1	0	0	20	1
115 Human Resources	7	0	7	0	7	0	0	0	7	0
<i>Human Resources</i>	7	0	7	0	7	0	0	0	7	0
120 City Attorney	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0
<i>City Attorney</i>	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0
300 Finance Admin	7	1	7	0.5	7	0.5	0	(0.25)	7	0.25
310 Accounting Services	12	0.75	12	0.75	12	0.75	0	0.25	12	1
320 Fiscal Services	10	1	10	1	10	1	0	0	10	1
330 Purchasing	5	0	5	0	5	0	0	0	5	0
<i>Finance</i>	34	2.75	34	2.25	34	2.25	0	0	34	2.25
420 Public Works	94	10	95	9.75	94.75	9.25	0.25	(0.25)	95	9
<i>Public Works</i>	94	10	95	9.75	94.75	9.25	0.25	(0.25)	95	9
510 Planning & Neigh Presv	17.5	1	17.5	1.5	17.5	2	0	0	17.5	2
<i>Planning & Neighborhood Svcs</i>	17.5	1	17.5	1.5	17.5	2	0	0	17.5	2
700 Police Admin	3	0	3	0	3	0	0	0	3	0
710 Police Technical Services	31.5	2.5	31.5	2.5	31.5	2.5	0	0	31.5	2.5
720 Police Field Services	74	13	73	13	73	13	0	0	73	13
730 Police Special Operations	17	0	17	0	17	0	0	0	17	0
<i>Police</i>	125.5	15.5	124.5	15.5	124.5	15.5	0	0	124.5	15.5
800 Fire Admin	3	0	3	0	3	0	0	1	3	1
810 Emergency Response Svcs	66	0	65	0	65	0	0	0	65	0
820 Fire Prevention Services	11	1	11	0.5	11	0.5	0	0	11	0.5
840 Emergency Mgmt Services	1	0	1	1	1	1	0	0	1	1
<i>Fire</i>	81	1	80	1.5	80	1.5	0	1.0	80	2.5
Total Departmental	489.25	83.5	489	85.75	495	86.5	0	1.75	495	88.25